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PROLOGUE

From prairie wilderness to frontier state, from roving Indians to white settlers, the growth of Illinois is suggested by dance and spoken word.

SPEECH CHOIR directed by Margaret Parret

Jackie Bergagna
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Arlyle Anthony
Beverly Barkman
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Kay Breidecker
Paul Cary
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SCENES FROM "WITH FAITH IN THE FUTURE"

Presented for Illinois State Historical Society

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SPEECH CHOIR

Nancy Springer	Dorothy Dziadula
Marilyn Johnson	Doris Hoffman
Janice Cardoni	Adrienne Oblouk

Directed by Miss Margaret Parret

THE EARLY YEARS

SCENE I — FREE SCHOOLS AND GOOD TEACHERS

Arnold's Harness Shop, Bloomington

Daniel Wilkins, head of the Wilkins Female Seminary..... Fred Wassell
Nate Arnold, proprietor of the harness shop..... James Roderick
Hugo Von Elsner, a young German lad,..... Gary Widmark
Enoch Gastman, a young farm boy..... Michael Ward
Jesse Fell..... William Johnson
Abraham Lincoln.....James Costigan
Harry D. Cook, a carpenter from Oneida, New York..... Phil Sommers
Joanne Cook, his wife..... Phyllis Jensen
John Cook, and their children..... Robert Bone
Frank Cook..... John Bone

SCENE II — THE TEACHERS DEMAND A NORMAL SCHOOL

The First Presbyterian Church, Chicago

Charles Hovey, principal of the high school, Peoria.....John Kennedy
Newton Bateman.....G. Bradford Barber
Simeon Wright, President-elect of the Illinois State Teachers' Association.....Albert H. Eckert
Ninian Edwards, First Superintendent of Schools of Illinois — Richard Snyder
William H. Powell, Superintendent-elect of Schools of Illinois.....George Barford
Samuel W. Moulton, Chairman of the House Committee on Education.....Walter Brown
Daniel Wilkins.....Fred Wassell

SCENE III — THE SCHOOL AT WAR

The Campus, Illinois State Normal University

Children of the Model School: Ted Sands, Jon Ullsvik, Eric Fruin, Rogers Freedlund, Mike McKnight, Sharon Bloom, Carol Stubblefield, Diane Kirby
Sally Dunn.....Patricia Florert
Joseph Howell.....George Yard
Jesse Fell.....William Johnson
Charles Hovey.....John Kennedy
Sophie Crist.....Lois Buckman
John Burnham.....Jack Ruttledge
Dancers.....Joyce Green, Beverly Blue, Kay Breidecker
(Directed by Dr. Miriam Gray)

"Bugles" — poem by Richard Hovey, written upon the death of his father, General Charles E. Hovey
Music by Dr. Irwin Spector
Sung by students of the University Choir

Scenes directed by Richard Snyder and Doris Hoffman under supervision of Mabel Clare Allen.

PART I

THE EARLY YEARS

NARRATOR — JESSE FELL - - - - - - - - - - - - - Robert Findlay

SCENE I

Free Schools And Good Teachers

The building of the railroads through Bloomington in the early 1850's brought an ever increasing number of settlers from the East and South. Typical of these were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cook of Oneida, New York, people of intelligence and education who desired good schools for their children. When they arrived in McLean County, they found the people of Illinois already discussing the need for free schools and for trained teachers.

April 1852 **Arnold's Harness Shop, Bloomington**

Daniel Wilkins, head of the Wilkins Female Seminary	Fred Wassell
Nate Arnold, propieter of the harness shop	James Roderick
Hugo Von Elsner, a young German lad	Gary Widmark
Enoch Gastman, a young farm boy	Clarence Patterson
Jesse Fell	Robert Findlay
Abraham Lincoln	James Costigan
Harry D. Cook, a carpenter from Oneida, New York	Ron Schultz
Joanne Cook, his wife	Phyllis Jensen
John Cook, and their children	Robert Bone
Frank Cook,	John Bone

SCENE II

The Teachers Demand A Normal School

In 1853, through the efforts of Daniel Wilkins and two other teachers, a meeting was called in Bloomington which resulted in the organization of the State Teachers' Institute of Illinois. One of its early goals was the founding of a Normal School to train teachers for the state. At a meeting of the Association in Chicago in 1856 this goal was brought near to realization.

December 1856 **The First Presbyterian Church, Chicago**

Charles Hovey, principal of the high school, Peoria	Don Behnke
Newton Bateman	G. Bradford Barber
Simeon Wright, President-elect of the Illinois State Teachers' Association	Albert H. Eckert
Ninian Edwards, First Superintendent of Schools of Illinois	James Backes
William H. Powell, Superintendent-elect of Schools of Illinois	George Barford
Samuel W. Moulton, Chairman of the House Committee on Education	Walter Brown
Daniel Wilkins	Fred Wassell

SCENE III

Raising Subscriptions

The act creating the Illinois State Normal University was passed in February 1857. Jesse Fell and other leading citizens of McLean County felt that Bloomington was the best location for the school. In competition with Peoria and other towns they set about to raise subscriptions for purchasing a site and building for the school.

May 1857 **The *Pantagraph* Office, Bloomington**

Jesse Fell	Robert Findlay
Daniel Wilkins	Fred Wassell
E. J. Lewis, editor of the *Pantagraph*	Paul Cary
Judge David Davis	Robert Borg
E. W. Bakewell, a land owner	Al Badynski
A. J. Merriman, County Commissioner	Phil Sommer

SCENE IV

Major's Hall

Bloomington won the location of the school. Charles Hovey was chosen as principal. On September 29, 1857 the cornerstone of the building was laid and on the following Monday, October 5, school began in temporary quarters in Major's Hall, Bloomington.

October 5, 1857 **The Third Floor of Major's Hall, Bloomington**

Charles Hovey, principal of Illinois State Normal University	Don Behnke
Ira Moore, assistant and teacher	John Robertson
Enoch Gastman, the first student	Clarence Patterson
John Hull, from Marion County	Robert Shields
Joseph Howell, from White County	George Yard
Mary Brooks, teacher of the Model School	Sue Willis
Sally Dunn	Rosalie Kinsella
Augusta Peterson	Norma Leben
Jesse Fell	Robert Findlay
E. J. Lewis	Paul Cary
Children of the Model School:	Bruce Brown
	Peter Dunn
	Karen Fincham
	Linda Meeker
	Nancy Miller
	Michael Pallischeck
	Nancy Taylor

SCENE V

The First Commencement

Because of the panic of 1857 many subscribers defaulted on their pledges and work on the building was stopped. Charles Hovey risked his savings and his reputation to sell the swamp lands and to advance money for the contractors. With the aid of Jesse Fell and a few other townspeople and members of the board he was at last able to see the building completed. The first commencement exercises were held there in June 1860.

June 1860 **Normal Hall**

Charles Hovey	Don Behnke
Jesse Fell	Robert Findlay
Mary Brooks	Sue Willis
Fanny Graves	Nancy Taylor
Other children from Scene IV and VI	
The graduating class:	
John Hull	Robert Shields
Joseph Howell	George Yard
Enoch Gastman	Clarence Patterson
Sally Dunn	Rosalie Kinsella
Augusta Peterson	Norma Leben
Frances Washburn	Norma Jones
Mrs. David Davis	Carolyn Dresback
Mrs. Edwin Hewett	Pat Ann Van Scyoc
Mrs. Charles Hovey	Jacqueline Miller
Mrs. Jesse Fell	Julia Hubbard
Edwin Hewett, teacher of geography and history	Ron Kennerly
Simeon Wright	Albert Eckert
Samuel Moulton	Walter Brown

SCENE VI

The School At War

The building was dedicated in January 1861. In February the legislature voted an appropriation to relieve the school from debt. In April, however, the fall of Fort Sumter brought new difficulties. The men of the school clamored to enlist. President Hovey encouraged them to finish their term's work and in August, with President Lincoln's consent, he organized the Schoolmaster's Regiment and was commissioned its Colonel. The era of the founding of the school was at an end.

August 1861 **The Campus, Illinois State Normal University**

Children of the Model School:	Ted Sands, Jon Ullsvik, Eric Fruin, Rogers Freedlund, Mike McKnight, Sharon Bloom, Carol Stubblefield, Diane Kirby

Sally Dunn	Rosalie Kinsella
Joseph Howell	George Yard
Jesse Fell	Robert Findlay
Charles Hovey	Don Behnke
Sophie Crist	Lois Buckman
Ira Moore	John Robertson
Simeon Wright	Albert H. Eckert

* Extra men — Mr. Arden Vance, Ronald Veselak, Tom Patrick, Phillip Tock, Tom Carr, Joseph Coverdill, Don Metz, Roger Ekstein, Lowell Anderson.

Men and Women from previous scenes.

Dancers	Beverly Blue
	Sharon Evans
	Joyce Green
"Bugles"	poem by Richard Hovey, written upon the death of his father, General Charles E. Hovey
	music by Dr. Irwin Spector

Intermission — 10 minutes

INTERLUDE

Student Life 1860 — 1870

In the memories of students of the period two symbols seemed to mark the growth from the Junction to the village of Normal. One was the old plank walk by which they first made their way to the campus and the other was mule cars which carried them between the two towns until 1890. Then as today, transportation was a determining factor in student activities.

SPEECH CHOIR directed by Margaret Parret

DANCERS directed by Miriam Gray

Mary Lynn Brown	Joan Lockhart
Dorrence Brucker	Jodie Luke
Mary Costa	Robert Shields
Fred Grafe	Bonnie Walheim
Donald Kendall	

PART II

THE LATER YEARS

NARRATORS — JESSE FELL - - - - - - - - Robert Findlay
FLORA P. DODGE - - - - - - - Sylvia Zappa
CARTER HARRIS - - - - - - Donald McHenry

SCENE VII

The Struggle For Existence

The difficulties facing Illinois State Normal University did not end with the war. Criticism of the school and its policies arose on all sides but the second president, Richard Edwards, had strong convictions as to the education of teachers. He was backed by his faculty and by friends on the board and together they held the school to the high ideals which had been set for it.

1874 **Office of President Edwards**

Richard Edwards, second president of Illinois State Normal University	Ivan Calhoon
Edwin Hewett	Ron Kennerly
Thomas Metcalf, teacher of mathmatics	Norman Gee
Albert Stetson, teacher of languages	Richard Snyder
Samuel J. Moulton, President of the Board, member of the Legislature	Walter Brown
Newton Bateman, State Superintendent of Schools	G. Bradford Barber
Enoch Gastman, member of the Board, Superintendent of Schools, Decatur	Clarence Patterson

SCENE VIII

The Phoenix

Though President Edwards was able to quiet most of the criticism of the school, one sore spot remained. The High School Department had gained a reputation as one of the best preparatory schools of the West. The public high schools, which were growing in importance, resented its boast of a University faculty, and felt it unfair that the High School Department should be maintained by the state. In 1895, Governor Altgeld demanded that it be abolished. The students expressed their grief and resentment.

June 19, 1895 **The Campus, Illinois State Normal University**

Carter Harris, custodian of the Practice School	Donald McHenry
O. L. Manchester, Principal of the High School Department	Gary Gresham
Henry McCormick, Vice-President of the University	Donald Wills
John W. Cook, Fourth President of the University	William Simms
Leaders of the high school group	Alec Wade
	Douglas Hubbell

High School students: Barbara Bates, Judy Vetter, Judy Walker, Karen Efford, Jerry Brock, Blake Leach, Joan Griffith, Arlene Gillett, Debbie Hill, Lynne Hurless, Jean Joyce, Joan Lanham, Nan Anderson, Linda Barnes, Martha Hunter, Carol Rhodus, Mary Seitz, Donna Ross, Warner Sandell, Richard Cruickshank

SCENE IX

After Forty Years

When the school celebrated its fortieth anniversary in 1897, its reputation as a leader in the Herbartian movement was at its height. Present were all four of the presidents of the school. David Felmley, who was to be the sixth president, was a teacher on campus at the time.

June 1897 **The Campus**

Lida Brown McMurry, primary training teacher	Donna Lee Schmidt
Children of the Practice School:	Judy Replogle, Narda Cisco, Cindy Atwood, Tammie Orendorf, Dick Templeton, Bobbie Belshe, Linda Lyman, Rebecca Laubaugh, Francis Wells, Steve Hackett
Richard Edwards	Ivan Calhoon
Edwin Hewett	Ron Kennerly
Charles DeGarmo, president of Swarthmore College	Gary Bengston
John Cook	William Simms
Charles Hovey	Don Behnke
David Felmley, Professor of Mathematics	Charles Schmidt

SCENE X

Mr. Felmley's Birthday

David Felmley was President for thirty of the forty years he was at Normal University. During that time there was great expansion in the curriculum and in the activities of the school. The student body shared his pride in this growth. During President Felmley's later years their celebration of his birthday in General Exercises was an important occasion.

April 24, 1925 **Capen Auditorium**

David Felmley, sixth President of Normal University	Charles Schmidt
O. L. Manchester, Dean of the University	Gary Gresham
F. W. Westhoff, teacher of music	Lyle Young
J. Rose Colby, teacher of literature	Adrienne Oblouk
Lowell Mason Club student	Sue Rucker
Nature Study Club student	Elsie Mae Hartman
Kindergarten Club student	Patricia Ann Wiley
Kindergarten children	Bill Waterson, Susan Crews
Manual Arts Club student	Robert Maske
Pi Kappa Delta student	Barbara Mowder
University High School student	Arlene Gillett
Kappa Delta Pi student	Rosemary Shaw
Physical Education Club student	Joseph Cogdal
Home Economics Club student	Bernice Richmond
Senior Class student	Ron Hefler

Jester student	Marilyn Johnson
Agriculture student	Richard Lubbers
Metcalf students	Mary Rasor, Ronnie Lemme
Heironymous Club student	Darlene Stang
Alumnus	William Whitehouse
Commerce Club student	Dorothy Dziadula
Childrens School students	Harry Mentor, Karen Steinmetz
Fell Hall girl	Barbara Randolph
Red Cross girl and soldier	Joan Kumler, Jack Rutledge
Doctor	Donna Laurie
Student Council student	Roger Swearingen
Varsity Club student	Don Blattner
Wrightonia and Philadelphia students	Marilyn Gotch, Clem Gangler
President of the Senior Class	Loyal Darr

SCENE XI

"And Gladly Teach"

During the twenty-two years of Raymond Fairchild's leadership there were many changes in the University. These were most strongly felt during the second World War and the years immediately following. His steadfast determination during that period to keep the school a professional college for teacher education indicated his foresight of present day needs. His deep interest in students and alumni is a memory cherished by many, as they recall their days at Illinois State Normal University.

Homecoming 1955 **The Cage, Fell Hall**

Alumni of Normal University of the classes of 1945 and 1946	
Bob	Jerry Behringer
Mary	Patricia Florert
Ed	Dale Gronemeier
Jane	Mari Allaman
Jack	Harlan Clauss
Marge	Patricia Honsa
Student	Arlene Palmer
Navy Boy	Lowell Anderson
Girl	Myrna Bartelson
Young Man	
Girl with baby	Karen Claypool
Group of students	Mary Lou Marten, June Lyon
Special Education group	Shirley Landwehr, Julia Ortgiesen, Don Hurd
Women's band	June Lyon
Master's Degree group	James Backes, Norman Richard

EPILOGUE

As Illinois State Normal University begins its second century the problem of educating teachers for the children of the state is greater than ever before. With the inspiration of the old ideals, but under new and vigorous leadership, the school looks forward with faith in the future.

SPEECH CHOIR

Our Ninth President . . . . . Robert G. Bone

Representative of the Graduate Class . . . . . James Backes

Representatives of the University Senior Class

Ron Slack
Jock Heintz
Andy Purnell
Jerry Meidel
Janet Roring
Jodie Luke
Mary Costa
Rita Keeley

Representatives of University High Senior Senior Class

Douglas Hubbell
Barbara Bates

Representatives of Metcalf Eighth Grade

Leonard O'Brien
Bruce Hammett
Tami Hall
Royal Bartrum
Patty Irwin

Representatives of I.S.S.C.S. Eighth Grade

Donald Vandegraf
Earl Throneberry
Janice Meyer
Judy Wise

Representatives of Fairchild Eighth Grade

Charles Brown
Patti Trimble

Cast of Previous Scenes

Centennial Song — Words by Catherine Turner, class of 1930
Music by Dr. Irwin Spector

PRODUCTION STAFF

Director	Mabel Clare Allen
Technical Director	C. Eric Bickley
Assistant to Director	Richard Snyder
Stage Manager	Jack Scholfield

Stage Crew Co-Chairmen: Mary Hesh, Phil Sommer; Charles Schmidt, Don Blattner, Sylvia Zappa, Virginia Witucke, Marilyn Crabtree, Faye Brown, Marilyn Gotch, Nancy Apple, Judy Roehm, Sue Willis, J. Bruce Bradley, Barbara Mowder

Lights

Chairman, Gary Gresham; Carol Pennybaker, Doris Hoffman, Jan Johnson, Ron Schultz, Clem Gangler, Mary Ann Sirotnak, Sally Eskew, Gary Bengston

Mr. W. P. Lawson, Mr. Robert Moniger & Staff

Properties

Chairman, Dr. Cecelia Peikert; Mrs. Harry Loveless, Miss Eunice Blackburn, Miss Helen Dooley, Miss Frances Conkey, Barbara Bahen, Carol Lee Bensch, Joyce Schafer, Ardelle Mason, Elsie Mae Hartman, Elmarie Lindsey

Costumes

Mrs. Donald Kluge, Mrs. Frances Brown, Mrs. Don Templeton, Mrs. Fred Knuppel, Mrs. Frances Belshe, Mrs. Dean Blomgren, Mrs. Charles Boughton, Mrs. Warren Crews, Mrs. Arlan Hegelson, Mrs. Arthur Larsen, Mrs. Robert Bone, Mrs. W. J. McCarthy, Mrs. M. L. Miller, Mrs. B. L. O'Conner, Mrs. Vernon Replogle, Mrs. Harriet Vissering, Mrs. William White, Mrs. Ivan Calhoon, Mrs. Glen Taylor, Dorothy Dziadula, Julia Hubbard, Elaine Trimble

Make-up

Chairman, Norman Richard; Melissa Marr, Judy Howard, Diane Culshaw, Terry Peart, Marilyn Barnes, Beverly Bolin, Marjorie Draheim, Nancy Peter, Jeannette Sherfey, Marylou Towne, Jo Ann Hosto, Mary Ellen Mayer, Ruth Mary Kerin, Marilyn Johnston, Mary Jane Spivey, Carolyn Kijowski, Kay Conklin, Faye White, Joan Kumler, Sylvia Dobrich

Music

Chairman, Dr. Emma Knudson; Miss Margaret Westhoff, Dr. Irwin Spector, Mr. Lyle Young, Mr. James Roderick, Miss Gertrude Erbe, Dr. Harlan Peithman, Mr. Arden Vance

Publicity

Chairman, Dr. Gertrude Hall; Mrs. George Barford, Mr. Nelson Smith, Phyllis Jensen, Mr. Eric Bickley

Programs

Miss Margaret Jones, Dr. Helen Marshall, Mr. William White

Tickets

Chairman, Isabelle Terrill; Miss Bette Soldwedel, Alumni Office Staff, Miss Vermell Wise, Miss Eunice Speer, Miss Clara Kepner, Ken Berta, Heidi Mullejans, Miss Barbara Butslino

Audience Arrangements

Mr. Harry Johnson and grounds staff

Ushering

Chairman, Dr. Harry Jackson; James Haycraft, Robert Owens, John Bower, Walter McManus, Jr., Robert Marsh, Nick Struff, Dick Lubbers

Marshalling

Chairman, Dr. Arley Gillett; John Hinds, Leo Desch, Dale Montgomery

Room Arrangements

Chairman, Dr. G. Bradford Barber; Mrs. G. Bradford Barber, Miss Mary Arnold, Mr. Charles Boughton, Kay Springer, Miss Alice Ogle, Miss Ruth Zimmerman, Miss Dawn Lazanas, Miss Bernice Frey

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Vocal music — on tape — selected groups from the University musical organizations

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Apologies are offered to all members of cast or committees whose names are incorrectly placed or omitted, because of late or unreported changes.

ALMA MATER

A hundred years the winds have borne
Your name above the prairie corn —
A name for courage, quality,
And service. University,
    Your sons and daughters sing to you:
    Long live, strong live, ISNU

A hundred years have seen you grow.
Your doors are wide to all who'd know;
Your doors are wide to all who'd learn
And share their knowledge in return.
    Your sons' and daughters' thanks to you:
    Long live, strong live, ISNU

A hundred years! The breezes will
Sing knowledge, growth and service still.
A hundred years! May your doors be
Yet wide flung, university!
    Your sons' and daughters' prayers for you:
    Long live, strong live, ISNU.

Katharine C. Turner
Class of 1930

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